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1. The problem of the rehabilitation of Franz Dahlem was to have been discussed at a session of the SED Politburo on 14 September 1955, but the discussion was postponed until 28 September for the following reasons:
 - a. Karl Schirdewan, who is handling the investigation of the case, did not have all the pertinent files available.
 - b. Dahlem was not present on 14 September, and the Russians refused to allow a discussion of his case in his absence.
 - c. The Dahlem question is also to be discussed in Moscow with Nikita S. Khrushchev.
2. It is difficult to assemble all the material on the Dahlem case, since other persons are also involved in the investigation. Furthermore, Walter Ulbricht will have to revise his stand on the matter, which will not be easy for him to do.

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